Brittany Feser, the new Leonard Center manager, comes to Macalester from Inver Hills Community College in Inver Grove Heights, Minn., where she served as student life coordinator and assistant director of recreational sports. A 2006 graduate of the University of Minnesota–Twin Cities, she holds a B.S. in finance and subsequently earned a master’s in sports administration from UW–La Crosse.

A familiar face around the MIAC, Feser previously served as MIAC Assistant Director on an NCAA internship grant, and in several conference leadership and administrative capacities. She also interned with U.S.A. Boxing, where she helped manage two championship tournaments.

Women’s Soccer

David Melms

Named to Good Works Team

Allstate Insurance Company and the American Football Coaches Association (AFCA) named Macalester corner back David Melms ’13 (Wauwatosa, Wis.) and 21 other student-athletes to the 2011 Allstate AFCA Good Works Team, one of the most prestigious off-the-field honors in college football. For 20 years the award has recognized a select group of college football players committed to making a difference in their communities. Melms was honored Jan. 3 at the 2012 Sugar Bowl in New Orleans.

Melms is creating a program in the Twin Cities called “Stand Out,” whose mission is to offer youth fun alternatives to drugs and alcohol. He founded Macalester’s chapter of Fellowship of Christian Athletes and has organized multiple service projects on behalf of the organization.

Save the Date:

Mac Hac Golf, Monday, June 4

The 23rd annual Mac Hac golf tournament is set for noon Monday, June 4, at the Mendakota Country Club in Mendota Heights, one of the top private courses in the Twin Cities. Circle the date and watch for further registration information on macalester.edu/athletics.

Alumni Get-together
Recognizing Great Scots

In October, Macalester inducted the 1998 NCAA Division III women’s soccer championship team—the first and only Macalester NCAA championship team—and four individuals into the M Club Hall of Fame. Bob MacGregor ’54 (football, track & field, wrestling) was an all-conference football player and also wrestled for the Scots. In track & field, MacGregor helped lead Macalester to the MIAC championship as a junior in 1953, placing first in the discus. Jim Kersting ’70 (diving) was a top point producer for some outstanding Mac swimming & diving teams, and helped lead the Scots to MIAC championships every year he was on the team. Ron Groce ’76 (football, track & field) was the third-leading rusher in the MIAC before being drafted by the Vikings. He has served three terms on the M Club Board of Directors. Jennifer Hodges ’00 (volleyball, track & field) was a two-time all-conference pick and first-team All-Region as a senior. Also a track & field standout, she was a member of the school-record 4x400-meter relay team.

M Club Hall of Fame Nominations!

Nominations for next year’s M Club Hall of Fame are due March 15, 2012.

Visit macalester.edu/athletics to fill out the nomination form online or download a PDF.
Greetings M Clubbers!

First, thank you, M Club, for your generous support of the Macalester Annual Fund! Your gifts enhance the athletic experience of every varsity squad, while helping prepare students to do great things that make our world a better place.

Throughout the school year, a number of teams offer alumni games and get-togethers. If you haven’t done so yet, get on the Mac athletics website, find your respective sports coach, and learn when yours will be. Connecting former Mac athletes with our current athletes is what the M Club is all about. Check Facebook for group photos from these great events.

M Club Hall of Fame members take note: Beginning in fall 2012 the M Club wants YOU to be at the next Hall of Fame banquet. All attending Hall of Famers will be introduced, so the more the merrier! As for the rest of us, the M Club is making a weekend of that celebration as we roll out M Club’s Hall of Fame Weekend! The festivities will begin with “Reunited and It Feels So Good” Friday evening, followed by a gathering event on Saturday afternoon. The weekend culminates with the Hall of Fame banquet Saturday evening. Remember—nomination forms are available on the Mac Athletics website and must be completed no later than March 15.

Lastly, I invite you to “like” us on the Macalester College M Club page on Facebook. You’ll learn about upcoming M Club events and Mac athletic competitions, and see a vast array of heartwarming, blue and orange-related photos!

As always ...

LET’S GO MAC!

STEVE COX ’76, M CLUB PRESIDENT

Several Macalester sports teams held successful annual alumni games/events this fall. Sports holding alumni events included softball, baseball, tennis, and swimming & diving.

(left) Men’s Alumni Baseball Team
(below) Women’s Alumni Softball Team

A big M Club Thank You to everyone who responded to Annual Fund phonathon calls from coaches, staff and athletes! You truly make a difference.
Taylor Rasmussen
Makes Academic All-America Team

Macalester’s Taylor Rasmussen ’13 (Eagan, Minn.) has been selected as a Capital One/Co-Sida Academic All-American selection in men’s soccer. The fourth Academic All-American in the program’s history, Rasmussen is a third-team selection as well as Macalester’s 16th Academic All-America since 1982.

A mathematics and applied statistics double major with a 3.81 cumulative GPA, Rasmussen led the Scots to a 10–7–1 record and fourth-place MIAC finish by scoring 14 goals.

“Our program is delighted with the recognition Taylor has received for his performance on the field and in the classroom,” said Coach Ian Barker. “He is a team leader for us and, though only a junior, has already led the MIAC in scoring twice, won two MIAC championships and been to two NCAA tournaments. This speaks volumes to his character, athleticism and scholarship.”

For up-to-date schedule information and live broadcasting, check out macalester.edu/athletics.

Macalester College Director of Athletics Kim Chandler has begun her term as president of the National Association of Division III Athletic Administrators (NADIIAA). Chandler began her duties Saturday, January 14, at a NADIIAA meeting during the annual NCAA Convention in Indianapolis.

Sat., Feb. 18
M Club Winter Sports Day
Women’s basketball, 1 p.m.
Men’s basketball, 3 p.m.
M Club hosts post-game meals for both squads
Give-aways, appetizers, and, for parents of athletes, t-shirts

Sat., Apr. 14
M Club Spring Sports Day
Water polo, Alumni game 10 a.m.
Baseball vs. Hamline, 1 p.m.
Scot Dogs and beverages for baseball fans

Thurs., Apr. 19, 4 p.m.
M Clubbers Unite!
Softball vs. St. Mary’s

Thurs., Apr. 26, 4 p.m.
M Clubbers Unite!
Men’s Twilight Track Meet

Fri., Apr. 27, 6:30 p.m.
Spring Athletics Banquet
Alexander Hill Ballroom

Sat., Apr. 28, 10 a.m.
M Clubbers Unite!
Janis Rider Women’s Track Invitational

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